

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-21. (Canceled)

Claim 22. (Previously Presented) A method for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the method comprising:

- providing a client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device;

- providing a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, controlling one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

- providing a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, directing the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request; and

- wherein providing the client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions comprises the client component communicating with the management component regarding a backup schedule.

Claim 23. (Canceled)

Claim 24. (Previously Presented) A method for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the method comprising:

- providing a client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device;

- providing a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, controlling one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

providing a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, directing the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request; and

wherein providing the client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions comprises the client component communicating with the management component regarding an aging policy.

Claim 25. (Previously Presented) A method for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the method comprising:

providing a client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device;

providing a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, controlling one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

providing a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, directing the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request; and

wherein providing the client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions comprises the client component communicating with the management component regarding index pruning.

Claim 26. (Previously Presented) A method for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the method comprising:

providing a client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device;

providing a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, controlling one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

providing a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, directing the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request; and

wherein providing the client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions comprises the client component communicating with the management component regarding a type of backup.

Claim 27. (Original) The method of claim 26, wherein communicating with the management component regarding the type of backup comprises communicating with the management component regarding a full backup.

Claim 28. (Original) The method of claim 26, wherein communicating with the management component regarding the type of backup comprises communicating with the management component regarding an incremental backup.

Claim 29. (Original) The method of claim 26, wherein communicating with the management component regarding the type of backup comprises communicating with the management component regarding a differential backup.

Claim 30-36. (Canceled)

Claim 37. (Previously Presented) A method for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the method comprising:

- providing a client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device;

- providing a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, controlling one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

- providing a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, directing the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request;

- wherein providing the client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions comprises the client component communicating with the management component regarding backup and retrieval functions; and

wherein directing the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request comprises directing the client component or the media component regarding a backup schedule.

Claim 38. (Canceled)

Claim 39. (Previously Presented) A method for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the method comprising:

- providing a client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device;

- providing a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, controlling one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

- providing a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, directing the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request;

- wherein providing the client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions comprises the client component communicating with the management component regarding backup and retrieval functions; and

- wherein directing the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request comprises directing the client component or the media component regarding an aging policy.

Claim 40. (Previously Presented) A method for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the method comprising:

- providing a client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device;

- providing a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, controlling one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

- providing a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, directing the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request;

wherein providing the client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions comprises the client component communicating with the management component regarding backup and retrieval functions; and

wherein directing the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request comprises directing the client component or the media component regarding index pruning.

Claim 41. (Previously Presented) A method for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the method comprising:

providing a client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device;

providing a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, controlling one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

providing a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, directing the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request;

wherein providing the client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions comprises the client component communicating with the management component regarding backup and retrieval functions; and

wherein directing the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request comprises directing the client component or the media component regarding a type of backup.

Claim 42. (Currently Amended) A method for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the method comprising:

providing a client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device;

providing a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, controlling one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

providing a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, directing the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request;

wherein providing the client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions comprises the client component communicating with the management component regarding backup and retrieval functions; and

~~The method of claim 20~~, wherein directing the client component or the media component regarding a type of backup comprises directing the client component or the media component regarding a full backup.

Claim 43. (Currently Amended) A method for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the method comprising:
providing a client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device;

providing a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, controlling one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

providing a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, directing the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request;

wherein providing the client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions comprises the client component communicating with the management component regarding backup and retrieval functions; and

~~The method of claim 20~~, wherein directing the client component or the media component regarding a type of backup comprises directing the client component or the media component regarding an incremental backup.

Claim 44. (Currently Amended) A method for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the method comprising:
providing a client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device;

providing a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, controlling one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

providing a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, directing the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request;

wherein providing the client component to coordinate backup and retrieval functions comprises the client component communicating with the management component regarding backup and retrieval functions; and

~~The method of claim 20,~~ wherein directing the client component or the media component regarding a type of backup comprises directing the client component or the media component regarding a differential backup.

Claim 45-46. (Canceled)

Claim 47. (Previously Presented) A system for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the system comprising:

a client component programmed to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device

a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, programmed to control one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, programmed to direct the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request; and

wherein the client component is further programmed to communicate with the management component regarding a backup schedule.

Claim 48. (Canceled)

Claim 49. (Previously Presented) A system for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the system comprising:

a client component programmed to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device

a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, programmed to control one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, programmed to direct the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request; and

wherein the client component is further programmed to communicate with the management component regarding an aging policy.

Claim 50. (Previously Presented) A system for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the system comprising:

a client component programmed to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device

a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, programmed to control one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, programmed to direct the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request; and

wherein the client component is further programmed to communicate with the management component regarding index pruning.

Claim 51. (Previously Presented) A system for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the system comprising:

a client component programmed to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device

a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, programmed to control one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, programmed to direct the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request; and

wherein the client component is further programmed to communicate with the management component regarding a type of backup.

Claim 52. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 51, wherein the client component is programmed to communicate with the management component regarding a full backup.

Claim 53. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 51, wherein the client component is programmed to communicate with the management component regarding an incremental backup.

Claim 54. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 51, wherein the client component is programmed to communicate with the management component regarding a differential backup.

Claim 55-61. (Canceled)

Claim 62. (Previously Presented) A system for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the system comprising:

a client component programmed to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device

a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, programmed to control one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, programmed to direct the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request;

wherein the client component is further programmed to communicate with the management component regarding backup and retrieval functions; and

wherein the management component is further programmed to direct the client component or the media component regarding a backup schedule.

Claim 63. (Canceled)

Claim 64. (Previously Presented) A system for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the system comprising:

- a client component programmed to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device

- a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, programmed to control one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

- a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, programmed to direct the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request;

- wherein the client component is further programmed to communicate with the management component regarding backup and retrieval functions; and

- wherein the management component is further programmed to direct the client component or the media component regarding an aging policy.

Claim 65. (Previously Presented) A system for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the system comprising:

- a client component programmed to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device

- a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, programmed to control one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

- a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, programmed to direct the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request;

- wherein the client component is further programmed to communicate with the management component regarding backup and retrieval functions; and

wherein the management component is further programmed to direct the client component or the media component regarding index pruning.

Claim 66. (Previously Presented) A system for performing an archival type request for a client computing device in a computer network, the system comprising:

a client component programmed to coordinate backup and retrieval functions for the computing device

a media component, communicatively coupled to the client component, programmed to control one or more backup devices directed to performing archival type requests;

a management component, communicatively coupled to the client component and the media component, programmed to direct the client component and the media component to perform the archival type request;

wherein the client component is further programmed to communicate with the management component regarding backup and retrieval functions; and

wherein the management component is further programmed to direct the client component or the media component regarding a type of backup.

Claim 67. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 66, wherein the management component is programmed to direct the client component or the media component regarding a full backup.

Claim 68. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 66, wherein the management component is programmed to direct the client component or the media component regarding an incremental backup.

Claim 69. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 66, wherein the management component is programmed to direct the client component or the media component regarding a differential backup.